

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 23-20163-1

v.

Honorable Shalina D. Kumar  
United States District Judge

STEVEN R. MURPHY,

Defendant.

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**ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION, ACCEPTING  
GUILTY PLEA, AND TAKING RULE 11 PLEA AGREEMENT UNDER  
ADVISEMENT**

On October 24, 2023, Magistrate Judge Patricia T. Morris conducted a plea hearing upon Defendant Steven D. Murphy's consent. ECF No. 42. The same day, the magistrate judge issued a Report recommending this Court accept Defendant's guilty plea (R&R). ECF No. 47. The R&R gave the Parties 14 days to object, but they did not do so. They have therefore forfeited their right to appeal the magistrate judge's findings that Defendant was competent to enter a plea and did so knowingly, voluntarily, and with a basis in fact. See Fed. R. Crim. P. 11(b); *Berkshire v. Dahl*, 928 F.3d 520, 530–31 (6th Cir. 2019) (citing *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 149 (1985)).

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the R&R, ECF No. 47, is **ADOPTED**.

Further, it is **ORDERED** that Defendant's guilty plea is **ACCEPTED**, and that the Rule 11 Plea Agreement, ECF No. 46, is **TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT**.

Dated: November 8, 2023

s/Shalina D. Kumar  
Shalina D. Kumar  
United States District Judge